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FRIENDS OF VILLA DENY BREAKING WITH CARRANZA

Claim That Misinterpretation of Orders Caused the Seizure of Constitutionalists' Bureau

El Paso, June 17.—Friends of Villa, the Mexican rebel general, today made denial in his behalf, that he had broken with Carranza. Villa's subordinates seized the Constitutionalists' bureau of information and telegraph offices at Juarez and arrested Carranza officials in charge. Now these actions are explained as having been misinterpretation of orders sent by Villa to Colonel Ornelas who was in military command at Juarez.

Despite the declaration of Villa's friends thirty of Carranza's officials

were arrested and sent to Torreon, where Villa is supposed to be.

It is understood one of the causes of Villa's report of dissatisfaction with Carranza's handling of Constitutionalists affairs was the censorship for former telegrams.

Many believe the reason for wanting the operators sent to Torreon was to learn who was responsible for the censorship.

It is the consensus of opinion here that when the situation clears Villa will have control of all Northern Mexico.

CITY'S DEBT NOW \$63,000

CALL FOR WARRANTS TODAY
AMOUNTS TO \$4,000.

One Month Remains to Have Clear
Deck Up to 1913.

Through a call for about \$4,000 on the general fund warrants of the city made today by Treasurer Manager, the warranted indebtedness is reduced to about \$63,000. When the present administration took office, this indebtedness was over \$100,000.

The call made today, brings in the outstanding warrants up to December of 1912. That month however, is going to be slow to overcome for there are warrants out for that month for \$13,900. During 1913, the warrants amount to \$36,400.

The expenditures in 1914 to date amount to \$11,950 and the year is about half spent.

BOARD TO SELL BUILDING.

Advertisements to Be Issued Soon—
Williams Re-elected Clerk.

At a meeting of the school board held last evening, the matter of disposing of the idle White frame school building, was taken up. Bids will be opened about July first for the sale of the property.

A. C. Williams was re-elected clerk of the school district during the meeting of the board last evening.

Sea Battle Rumored.

Washington, June 17.—That the Mexican federal gunboat Guerrero and the rebel gunboat Tampico had a battle near Topolobamo Tuesday, according to a report to the navy department by Admiral Howard, commander of the American naval forces at Mazatlan "The Tampico," he added, "was probably sunk."

It is believed the casualties are heavy. It is learned that the captain and chief engineer of the Tampico suicided over loss of the battle.

Eugenics Law Upheld.

Madison, Wis., June 17.—The supreme court of Wisconsin today held the eugenics law, which has been quoted all over the nation, as constitutional. The law provided that both parties to a proposed marriage must first secure physician's certificates of fitness before a license could be issued.

FRIDAY IS THE LAST DAY AT NIAGARA

Niagara Falls, June 17.—Either there will be an agreement reached by Friday on the provisional president to succeed Huerta in Mexico or the mediation negotiations will cease. This is the information received this

afternoon. There will be a conference on that date at which the mediators and American and Mexican envoys will be present. At present, to all appearances, the differences between Americans and Mexicans seems irreconcilable.

ZACATECAS, WHERE GENERAL HUERTA IS MAKING HIS LAST STAND.



A battle which may result decisively in the fight between the Constitutionalists and General Huerta is soon to be decided at Zacatecas, a Huerta stronghold on the road to Mexico City. The photograph shows a view of the city taken from a hill above it.

The beautiful old Mexican town is in a valley surrounded by lofty mountains. In the centre of the picture may be seen the cathedral with the right tower broken in half, a reminder of the revolution of Madero. Constitutionalists declared that to

escape from Zacatecas and make their way south the Federal army whose numbers were not given, would have to cut its way through the cavalry brigade under General Domingo Arrieta, which had reached the vicinity of Zacatecas from Durango.

BUSINESS AND FUN IN STORE

MERCHANTS' WEEK TO BE ONE
OF ACTIVITY.

Merchants to Decorate—Baker Com-
ing the 24, in Numbers.

NOTICE.

The entertainment committee for the State convention of the Oregon Retail Merchants association to be held in La Grande June 22, 23 and 24, has requested all persons having rooms to rent at that time to report same to the office of C. A. Small, Phone Red 3341. It should be known that many who come to the convention will arrive Sunday evening, June 24. The merchants, of course, will pay for their rooms the customary prices. So far, about 56 rooms have been reported as available. Many more than this will be needed.

A large attendance is expected and already the available rooms at the hotels have been taken.

It will be a three-day period of business and amusement when the Oregon Merchants come to town next week. The special train bringing the visitors is due in La Grande at 7:30 Monday morning and from that time until the big show is over, La Grande will probably sleep but little. While the program of business is replete, there is to be sport that is not on the program exactly. The La Grande band is going to be in uniform and playing most of

Cove's Cherry Fair To be Held July 16

DATE FOR ANNUAL EVENT IS
FINALLY SETTLED UPON.

PAVILION WILL BE READY

Citizens of East Part of Valley to
Have Best Time of History.

Cove, Ore., June 17.—After considerable deliberation the date for the annual Cherry fair for Cove has been set and on July 16th this community will entertain the public in a way that will surpass any former attempt.

The new pavilion, which will be built for this year's exhibition, will be entirely completed by that date and the park will be put in first class condition.

People here are very enthusiastic and everyone is entering into the spirit of the occasion with renewed energy. While the cherry crop is not as large this year as it was last, there is plenty of cherries and indications are that they will be of very fine quality.

Too Much Practice.

Three motorcycle riders, Vehrs Walden and Bullis, out to train for the motorcycle races to be held next Sunday, because too ardent in their work and forgot they were on the course to Baker. Chief of Police Oral took them in charge and fines were later attached to each of them.

the time, and from any viewpoint, it is to be a busy half week.

Stores Decorating.

Already the stores are laying plans for extensive decorations on

CITY DAMAGE CASE IS NEAR

CIRCUIT COURT TO HAVE SEV-
ERAL CASES SOON.

Powell Case Goes to the Jury Early
This Afternoon.

Chas. Bertram and Chris Peterson of North Powder are to air their differences in circuit court this week. The case, appealed from the justice court, followed the state case against Geo. Powell.

Circuit court will be in session for some time, it appears, for as soon as cases already arranged for trial are disposed of, the two big city cases are to come up.

Judge Knowles has set down for trial on Monday next, the case of C. N. Coleman against the City of La Grande for alleged damages on account of personal injuries claimed to have been sustained by the caving of a ditch last fall.

The demurrer of the defendant has been overruled and twenty days granted to answer in the case of Eastern Oregon Cooperative Telephone association against the Railroad Commission of Oregon.

The Powell case went to the jury early this afternoon. Most of the forenoon was taken up in argument by counsel in the case. Fortunately for all concerned, the trial has not attracted a large crowd. It has been a peculiarly salacious one from the start.

"Windy" Brown in City.

The man who inspects and looks after right-of-way fires etc., for the O.-W. was in town this morning. His name is Brown, better known as "Windy" Brown. The company has been fortunate regarding fires this season.

LOST BALLOON AND MEN ARE LOCATED NOW

STRUCK EARTH LAST FRIDAY
MORNING IN WILDERNESS.

WITH LITTLE FOOD THEY
GROPE IN THE FOREST

Followed the Course of Mountain
Streams With Hope to Find Civiliza-
tion—Forest Ranger's Camp Was
Finally Their Refuge—Men Are
Well But Fatigued and Worn.

Portland, June 17.—After being lost in the wilds of the Cascade mountains for one hundred and twenty hours with only what food they could carry or glean from the forests with no matches to cook it, Roy Donaldson, pilot of the balloon Springfield, and Aide Wilbur Henderson, staggered into the forest ranger's camp on Walker's Prairie in the Zigzag canyon near Mount Hood this morning. News of their safety was immediately telephoned to Portland.

They had a trip of almost unbelievable hardships, walking eighteen miles over a rocky trail and through the dense forests. They reached civilization by following the downward flow of the mountain streams.

Their balloon landed in a great pile of rocks near Blue Lake at eight o'clock Friday morning. It is doubtful if the balloon can be brought out of the wilderness.

This relieves a tense strain that has been felt by all who watched closely the career of the three balloons and their occupants who started from Portland during the Rose show. All men are now safe after undergoing hardships that are hardly believable in this country.

NORTH POWDER MAN DIES

J. R. McClaren Passed Away After
an Operation Yesterday.

A message to Senator Turner Oliver this morning told of the death of J. R. McClaren, a prominent North Powder citizen. His death occurred in the hospital at Baker after an operation for gall stones.

Change in Business.

C. M. Humphreys has sold his interest in the Eastern Oregon Produce Company to his partners, Mr. Secor and Mr. Taylor, who will continue the business as heretofore. Mr. Humphreys has not decided just what he will do for the present.

RECHECK FAILS TO SHIFT VOTE

BENSON-M'NARY TOTALS UN-
CHANGED HERE.

Re-check Here Today Shows Original
Figures Were Accurate.

A recheck of the count for justices of the supreme court at the primary election, taken by orders of the secretary of state, develops that there was no error in Union county.

All counties are re-checking, and today it was Union county's turn. The original figures of 406 votes in this county for Benson and 318 for McNary, are unchanged by the recount. Ed Wright, county clerk, A. C. Williams, justice of the peace, and U. F. Weiss comprised the re-checking board which convened this morning to take up the matter.

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